



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATIONS BOARD  
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[Docket No. HM-63; Notice 70-20]

TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS  
MATERIALS

**Tank Car Specifications; Withdrawal  
of Notice of Proposed Rule Making**

On October 29, 1970, the Hazardous Materials Regulations Board published Docket No. HM-63; Notice No. 70-20 (35 F.R. 16741), and modified that notice on November 19, 1970 (35 F.R. 17790). The Board proposed to amend § 179.102-11 of the Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations to remove the authorization for higher discharge safety relief valve settings on DOT Specifications 112A and 114A tank cars transporting liquefied petroleum gas and anhydrous ammonia. The Board also proposed to cease issuance and renewal of special permits authorizing these higher discharge safety valve settings on Specifications 112A and 114A tank cars and special permits authorizing use of Specifications 112A and 114A tank cars constructed with a welded joint efficiency of  $E=1.0$ , as that figure is used in the regulations to determine tank plate thickness. The proposed date for special permit withdrawals was set at June 1, 1971.

Interested persons were given an opportunity to comment on the Board's proposal. On the basis of information and data received in response to the proposal, and available for examination at the Office of the Secretary of the Hazardous Materials Regulations Board, the Board concludes that it would be inadvisable to carry through with the proposal at this time. Should research by the Government or by industry indicate a need for further action on this subject, the matter may be opened for re-examination in its entirety.

In consideration of the foregoing, Docket No. HM-63; Notice No. 70-20 is withdrawn.

This action is taken under the authority of sections 831-835 of title 18, United States Code, and section 9 of the Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1657).

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